

Remarks

The claims have been amended to overcome the objections.

Applicants traverse the rejections of the present claims for obviousness and contend that the Examiner has engaged in an impressible hindsight reconstruction of the prior art. Moreover, the Examiner has not demonstrated the requisite motivation or reasonable expectation of success for the present invention. Finally applicants attach hereto a declaration that provides evidence of non-obviousness.

In this declaration one Dr. Rani, a PhD zoologist, testifies that the teachings of the Beasley reference, *i.e.* the development of an immunoassay from rabbits for hexachlorohexane (HCH), would not be reasonably predicative of the present invention, which relates to the production of egg yolk antibodies. Dr. Rani also opines that one of ordinary skill would not have reasonably expected the success of the administration of 500 μ g to 1000 μ g of the present invention. Also, as an indicia of non-obviousness, a multinational corporation is interested in the commercialization of the present invention.

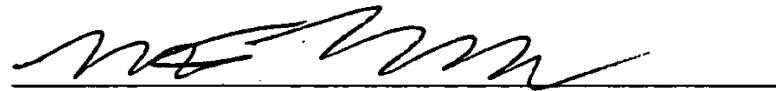
In light of the evidence of the 132 Declaration and the arguments previously submitted, applicants urge that one of skill in the art would not have been motivated to combine the references cited by the Examiner. Nor would the skilled artisan have a reasonable expectation of success of the present invention. Finally, the interest in the commercialization of the present invention is evidence of non-obviousness. Therefore, applicants submit the obviousness rejections of record are improper and respectfully request withdrawal of these rejections.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit

Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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